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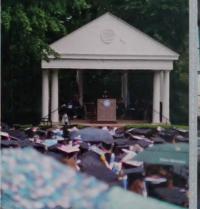
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**Trevor Whitfield** 



**Emily Williamson** 



Samuel Wilson



**Piper Wright** 



Olivia Young



**Shannon Young** 



Keep chasing your dreams. But know wherever they take you, there's a road that leads home to a place where someone loves you more than themselves.



Congrats Destiny!! Go confidently in the direction of your dreams for you have worked hard for this. We are so proud of you. Love you, Candy crew <3





Congrats Destiny, I am so proud of the amazing lady I have the privilege to call my daughter. Take pride in how far you've come and be the change you wish to see. You are a blessing. Luv U 4ever Mom.



Nicole, Words cannot express how proud I am of you. You have grown into a beautiful person inside and out. We love you so very much.

Love, Mom & Tom



Congratulations on all that you have accomplished while at Elizabethtown College! You continue to amaze us with your creativity and skills. We couldn't have asked for a more beautiful daughter.



Sylver Reynolds you are fantastic! We wish you the best for your future & know that you will succeed in anything you put your mind to! We are extremely proud of you and love you very much, Dad and Mom



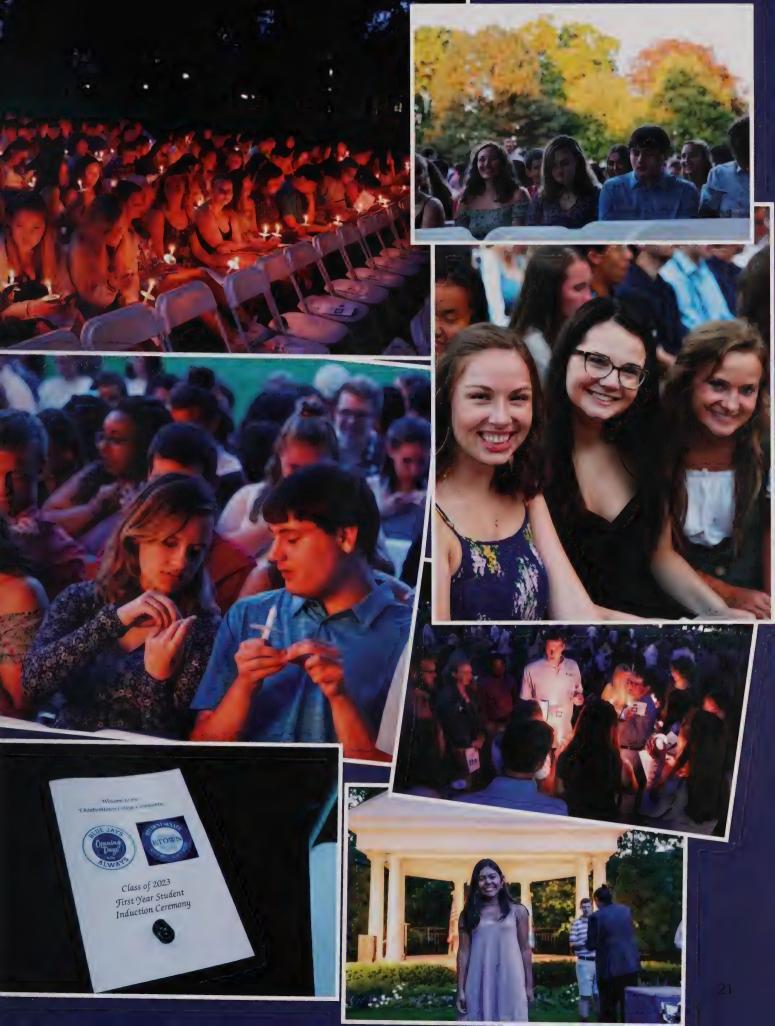




Congratulations Valeria on your academic achievement, we know you'll be a wonderful teacher!

- Mama e Papa





## THE CLASS GIFT FROM THE CLASS OF 2023



The 2023 Class Gift didn't go exactly as planned, but their final gift is going to make a lasting impact on the College and benefit the campus community for many years to come!

Unfortunately, the ramp they had planned for the Dell faced some unexpected challenges, so it couldn't be completed as they had hoped. But, their class gift was specifically chosen to make the campus more inclusive, and they've taken this mission to heart.

They've expanded it to include an Endowment that will fund multiple future projects focused on promoting accessibility and inclusivity on campus.

With this Endowment, they're guaranteed to achieve their goal of creating a more accessible campus for everyone.



## 2023 SENIOR ACTIVITIES





























The Champagne Dinner













## **COMMENCEMENT SPEAKER**

"It doesn't matter what is happening around you," President Gurt shared in his remarks to the Class of 2023. "You have the ability... the choice... to find good... to find beauty in everything and everyone."

















# FALL 2022 EVENTS

During the Fall semester, Etown had a vibrant array of events that brought the campus together. The festive Holiday Dinner, offered a chance for students and staff to gather and celebrate. The Cornhole Tournament and various Movie Nights provided fun, casual settings for relaxation and socializing while s'mores around fire-pits added a sweet touch to the chilly evenings. while the unique Halloween Yoga session combined wellness with seasonal fun. On the cultural front. the college showcased its musical talent through a Choral Concert and a Symphonic Band Concert, both highlighting the artistic abilities of the students. All of the events this semester helped showcase the talent and positive spirit of our campus!



















# Theatrical Production



#### **FALL '22 - ALICE IN WONDERLAND**

In November of 2022, Elizabethtown College presented a charming production of "Alice in Wonderland," a play by William Glennon based on Lewis Carroll's classic story.

Source Author - Lewis Carroll Playwright - William Glennon Director - Kristin Wolanin Assistant Director/Production Technician - Judas Foster Allce - Lindsay McCommons White Rabbit - Julia Yudichak Mouse/Knave of Hearts - Kaitlynn Yorgey Fish Footman/Gryphon - Nick Jacobs Frog Footman/Mock Turtle - Emily Clark Duchess - Sarah Jakubowski Cook/Card - Delaney Peckham Cheshire Cat - Mahailya Breen March Hare/King of Hearts - Kayll Hose Dormouse/Card - Logan Crosby Mad Hatter - Aaron Oliver Queen of Hearts - Laney Humble Production Stage Manager - Stephanie Motz Assistant Stage Manager - Lauren Klinedinst

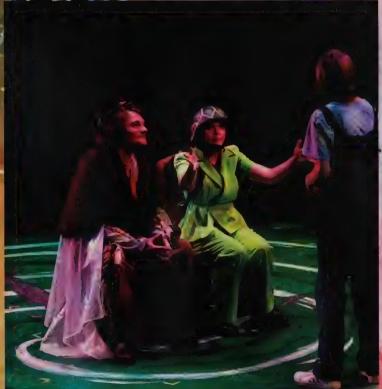
Assistant Stage Manager - Michael Ickes Assistant Stage Manager - Antonia Raimondo Costume Design/Costume Shop Manager - Emmi Mesko Sound Design - Madison "Rocky" Stewart Properties Lead - Brooke Seislove Light Design/Box Office Manager - Kerrigan Surles Costume Shop Staff - Alice Lucas Public Relations/Costume Shop Staff - Julia Yudichak Public Relations - Ingrid Peura Audio Assistant - Avery Burke Stage Crew - Emily Witmer Administrative Assistant - Amy Reynolds Production Technician - Zakiyah Grayson Production Technician - Meghan Hampton Production Manager/Designer - Barry Fritz Assistant Hair & Makeup Design - Leah Fox Hair & Makeup Design - Kay Schultz











# Homecoming 2022









# Hispanic Heritage Month

Elizabethtown College marked National Hispanic Heritage Month with a diverse array of events. The celebrations began with a flag raising by the Latinx/Hispanic Student Union and included a variety of programs like the Essence of Wellness sessions, film screenings, cultural nights, and engaging discussions. The Paso por Paso (Step by Step) event, included salsa lessons and a dinner prepared in the Bowers Center Demo Kitchen. The month concluded with an event featuring Jason Mott at the Bowers Writers House, capping off a successful series of events that celebrated Hispanic culture and promoted discussions on diversity and inclusion.















## **SPRING 2023 EVENTS**

In Spring 2023, Etown held an exciting and diverse range of events that enriched campus life. The semester featured a Social Justice Fair, providing a platform for discussions and awareness around various social issues. A highlight for many was the arrival of a Free Ice Cream Truck, offering a delightful treat and a break from the routine. The Etown Does Pride Event celebrated inclusivity and LGBTQ+pride, fostering a supportive and vibrant campus atmosphere. For some students, a Calligraphy Workshop offered a creative outlet and the opportunity to learn a new skill. The presence of K-Pets Therapy Dogs on campus gave students a chance to unwind. The semester also shone a spotlight on musical talent with the Vocalign Combo Show, showcasing the musical prowess of Etown students. These events collectively contributed to a lively and engaging semester, reflecting a campus commitment to fostering a dynamic and inclusive community.









































### DAY OF SERVICE

Elizabethtown College's annual Spring Day of Service, held on March 31, brought together over 230 Blue Jay students, employees, family, and alumni. They joined forces to support local agencies by packing 1,500 school supply kits and creating 200 blankets for children in the community.

Participants also assembled school supply kits destined for local organizations, including Unto, Church World Service (CWS), and The Joshua Group.

This day of service embodied Elizabethtown College's motto, "Educate for Service." It showcased the campus community's commitment to making a positive impact through intentional action, emphasizing the importance of service in the Etown experience.











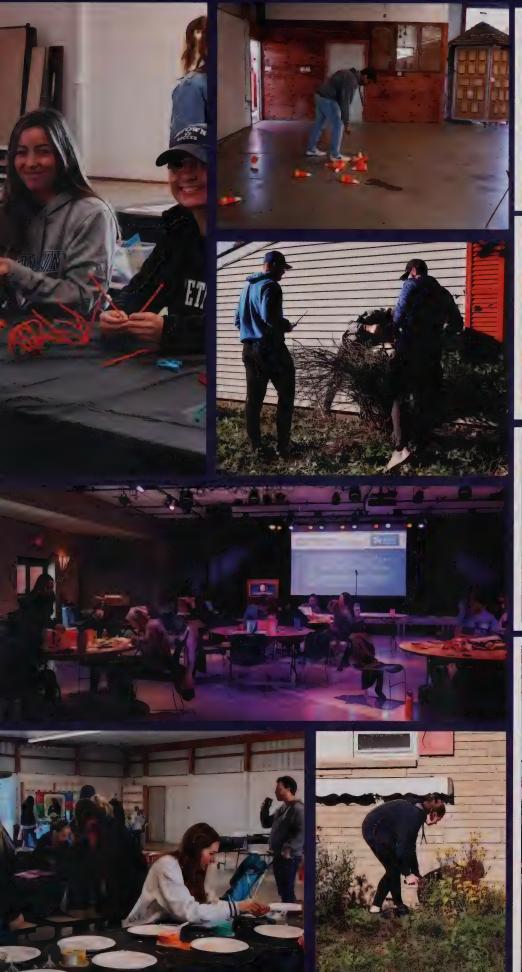




# INTO THE STREETS 2022

On October 22, Elizabethtown College held its 29th annual "Into the Streets" community service initiative, involving 307 students. This year's theme encouraged students to "Fly" Into the Streets, volunteering and building connections in the broader Etown community, under the organization of the College's Center for Community and Civic Engagement (CCCE). Participants engaged in 14 diverse projects both on- and off-campus, including winter preparation for local homes, collecting supplies for maternity and humanitarian aid, writing thank-you cards for military veterans, and assisting in local donation centers.













#### BLACK HISTORY MONTH CELEBRATION

Elizabethtown College celebrated Black History Month with a series of events in February, organized by the Office of Diversity, Equity, and Belonging, in collaboration with other campus offices. The month began with a "Knowledge Journey," where participants learned about Black history through a trivia quiz and created solidarity posters. A flag-raising ceremony featured a performance by the Crispus Attucks Infamous Unstoppables Drill Team and Drum Squad.

Notable events included a keynote address by Judge Jodie Richardson, a screening of "The Blackness Project" followed by a panel discussion, and a book discussion on "From Equity Talk to Equity Walk." Other activities involved tie-dye events, book discussions, music concerts, and dialogues on resilience, Black history, and financial literacy. There were also events like haircuts, cooking demonstrations, painting nights, trivia games, and a visit to the Black Business Expo.

The month's activities aimed to increase awareness of Black culture and history, encouraging dialogues typically avoided and celebrating Black achievement. Highlights included a performance by the ZUZU Acrobats and a film screening of "I Am Not Your Negro," an award-winning documentary on James Baldwin. These events reflected the college's commitment to building an equitable and inclusive culture, engaging students and staff in various educational and social activities.





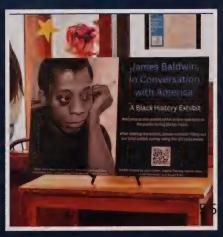






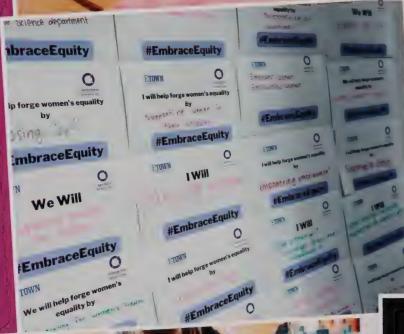


















#### INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY



The International Women's Day event, held on March 1 featured various activities to honor women's achievements. The Bowers Center Lower Lounge hosted an all-day exhibition of notable women's pictures and quotes, and from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m., attendees could write cards to inspirational women, with a chance to win a Hershey Spa gift card. The BSC Second Floor event focused on the theme #EmbraceEquity, inviting participants to sign a pledge for equity and partake in basket raffles. Attendees were encouraged to wear purple, the official color of International Women's Day.

Additionally, a volunteer service project for creating LuoPads, reusable sanitary products, was organized by the #EtownKindnessProject. The day concluded with a 2-for-1 Women's Empowerment Zumba Toning and Pound Class, celebrating women's strength through music and exercise.



# Theatrical Production



#### **SPRING '23 - RHINOCEROS**

In March of 2023, Elizabethtown College held a captivating production of "Rhinoceros," a thought-provoking play set in a small town in France where residents mysteriously transform into rhinoceroses.

Playwright - Eugene Ionesco Translator - Derek Prouse Directors - Griffin Yeyna, Emma Mesko **Production Stage Manager - Stephanie Motz** Assistant Stage Manager - Antonia Raimondo **Assistant Stage Manage - Michael Ickes** Waitress/Fireman - Zakiyah Grayson The Grocer's Wife - Delaney Peckham The Housewife - Laney Humble Berenger - Nicholas Wiley Jean - Logan Crosby The Grocer - Ellie Barley Old Gentleman/Papillon - Judas Foster Logician - Lindsay McCommons Cafe Proprietor - Nick Jacobs Daisy - Julia Yudichak

Dudard - Meghan Hampton
Botard - Emily Clark
Mrs. Boeuf - Sarah Jakubowski
Costume Design - Char Wilson
Sound Design - Madison "Rocky" Stewart
Properties Design - Brooke Seislove
Hair/Makeup & Public Relations - Ingrid Peura
Fight Coordinator - Adam Kissinger
Fight Captain - Em Clark
Public Relations - Jocelyn Itterly
Props Assistant - Leah Fox
Stage Crew - Kayli Hose, Mahailya Breen
Lighting Assistant - Melissa Hagman
Production Manager - Barry Fritz



















### ONE ELLE OF A NIGHT

Elizabethtown College's Dance Team delivered a captivating performance during their 13th annual "One Elle of A Night" fundraiser at the Leffler Chapel and Performance Center on Friday, March 24. This enchanting event featured dynamic acts by various Etown student groups, including Phalanx, Vocalign, Melica, Emotion, and Mad Cow Improv, all coming together to raise funds for the Elle Foundation, Proceeds from the event were dedicated to the Elle Foundation's noble cause of fulfilling wishes for children battling recurrent pediatric cancer. The ECDT's enduring partnership with the foundation has led to a cumulative donation of over \$22,000

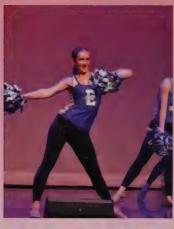




































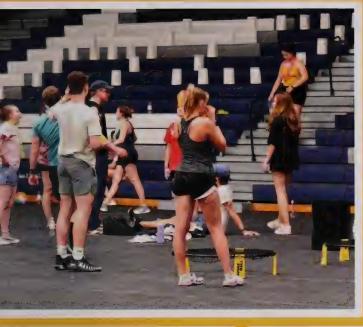


## **RELAY FOR**

## LIFE

Elizabethtown College hosted its annual Relay For Life event, organized by the student-run division of Colleges Against Cancer (CAC). Held from April 14 to 15, the 12-hour event took place in Thompson Gym with the theme "Wipe Out Cancer".

Survivorship speakers shared their experiences, and a haircutting ceremony for donating hair to children with hair loss was also featured. The Luminaria Memory Ceremony, where volunteers lit Luminaria bags to honor those fighting cancer or lost to the disease, was a highlight. The Relay For Life event, a global volunteer-based fundraiser now in its 36th year, aims to support cancer patients with 24/7 assistance, access to screenings, and funding for research.















# TGIS Weekend

Elizabethiawn College's Office of Student Activities (OSA) transformed The Bowers Center into an indoor hub of excitement for TGIS Weekend. Despite the rain, the 49th anniversary of this Etown tradition, themed FunkEtown, brought students together for a memorable celebration.

The indoor festivities began with a roller rink, archery, axe-throwing, hungry hippos inflatables, and ice cream treats. The event was complemented by free t-shirt giveaways (first-come, first-served), ensuring everyone could take home a piece of the celebration.

As the evening set in, FunkEtown ensured that the party didn't stop as DJ ALWZ SNNY took center stage, and students enjoyed indoor yard games, and popcorn.











# EARTH DAY 2023

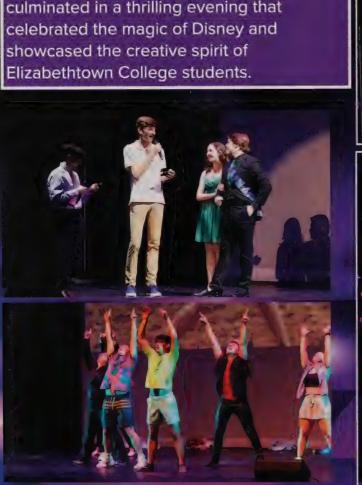
On Earth Day 2023 Etown students spread awareness about sustainability efforts on campus as well as activities and snacks.





## Mx. Etown

The electrifying Mx. Etown event, set within the enchanting world of Disney Channel original movies, lit up Leffler Chapel & Performance Center during Elizabethtown College's TGIS Weekend. With a diverse array of contestants vying for the audience's adoration, the night was a delightful blend of creativity and talent. Evan Schwab, representing Mx. Quads, emerged as the victorious standout. As participants prepared tirelessly behind the scenes, the event showcased the dedication and camaraderie of the Etown community. The anticipation, excitement, and nostalgia culminated in a thrilling evening that celebrated the magic of Disney and showcased the creative spirit of







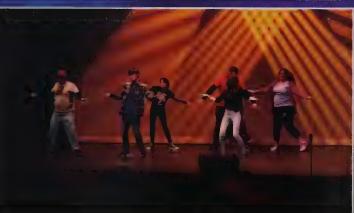
















Evan Schwab accepting the award for winning the competition.

### BEST BUDDIES FRIENDSHIP WALK

The Best Buddies Friendship Walk at Elizabethtown College, held on April 29 in Thompson Gym, successfully promoted friendship, inclusion, and awareness for intellectual and developmental disabilities. This event, part of a nationwide fundraiser, featured activities like a walk, games, crafts, and live performances. Open to the public, it was a testament to the club's impact on fostering community and inclusion, as highlighted by Club President Erin Wittenberg. Best Buddies, with its global presence, continues to advocate for integrated employment, leadership development, and inclusive living for individuals with these disabilities.











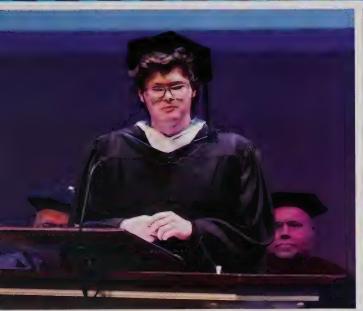




# INSTALLATIONOF PRESIDENT ELIZABETH A. RIDER

Elizabethtown College celebrated a significant milestone on April 27, 2023, with the official Installation Ceremony of Elizabeth A. Rider as the institution's 16th president. The event, held in Leffler Chapel & Performance Center, was a momentous occasion filled with warm welcomes from members of the campus and surrounding communities. The ceremony included the formal installation of President Rider by the Elizabethtown College Board of Trustees and an inspiring address by President Rider. It marked the beginning of a new era for the college under her leadership.













In attendance were the 13th and 14th Presidents of Etown. Theodore E. Long and Carl J. Strikwerda.

## ACADEMIC







### SUCCESS







This year was filled with incredible achievements from students across each of the academic areas. Each one of them had their own unique success story to share, making this a truly remarkable year for the campus community. From groundbreaking research to winning prestigious awards, students showcased their talents and skills in diverse fields, through sciences, arts, and leadership.













SCAD 2023, held on April 24 and 25, was a whirlwind of creativity and achievement at Etown. Our students lit up the stage and exhibition halls, showcasing their scholarly and artistic talents with academic presentations, eye-catching posters, captivating performances, and awe-inspiring exhibits—all open to peer and faculty review. With a focus on intellectual development, critical thinking, and fostering diversity of perspectives, SCAD 2023 was a celebration of growth and potential. It was a snapshot of the vibrant energy, creativity, and diverse perspectives that make our college unique.





























































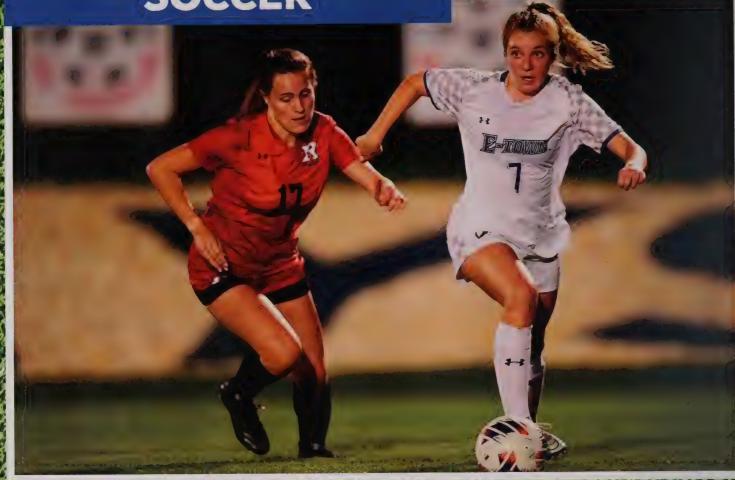
### 2022-23 Student Awards

Elizabethtown College's 2022-23 Student Awards Ceremony, held on April 19 at the Gibble Auditorium, was a joyous celebration of our students' remarkable achievements. Across various categories, these awards recognized exceptional dedication and contributions to our campus community. From Religious Leadership and Service to Campus Recreation and Well-Being, students were honored for their outstanding efforts.

A special highlight was the recognition of participants in the Blue Print Program, an initiative encouraging community involvement, leadership development, and life skills acquisition. Notably, President Betty Rider presented the prestigious Points of Distinction Award and the Distinguished Student Awards, acknowledging students' effective integration of signature learning attributes like relationship-centered learning and real-world experience.



#### WOMEN'S SOCCER



















#### MEN'S SOCCER







### WOMEN'S SOFTBALL



















#### MEN'S BASEBALL







#### MEN'S BASKETBALL



















#### WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

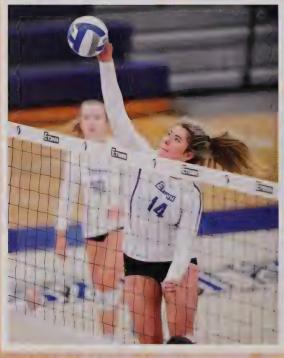






#### WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL



















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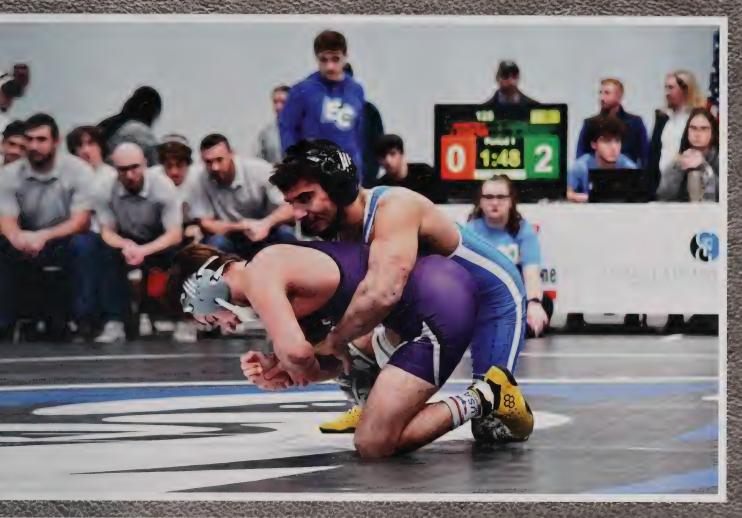


#### MEN'S WRESTLING



















#### WOMEN'S FIELD HOCKEY







#### MEN'S TENNIS



















## WOMEN'S TENNIS







## WOMEN'S SWIMMING



















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#### MEN'S LACROSSE







## MEN'S TRACK & FIELD



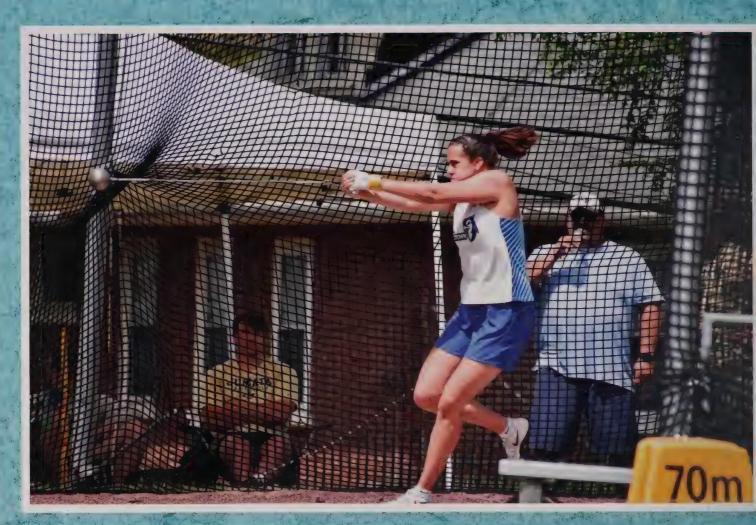
















#### WOMEN'S TRACK & FIELD







## WOMEN'S GOLF











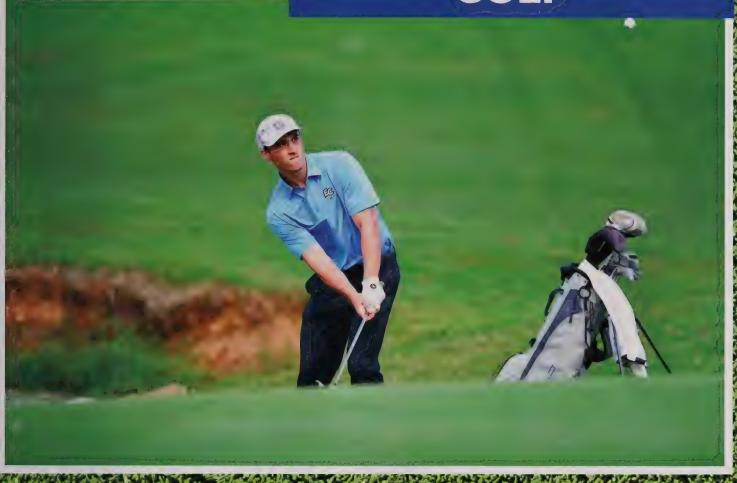








#### MEN'S GOLF







#### MEN'S CROSS COUNTRY



















#### WOMEN'S CROSS COUNTRY







# A Parting Word.

"I'VE LEARNED THAT PEOPLE WILL FORGET WHAT YOU SAID, PEOPLE WILL FORGET WHAT YOU DID, BUT PEOPLE WILL NEVER FORGET HOW YOU MADE THEM FEEL."

-MAYAANGELOU

"STRIVE NOT TO BE A SUCCESS, BUT RATHER TO BE OF VALUE."

-ALBERT EINSTEIN

"WE REALIZE THE IMPORTANCE OF OUR VOICES ONLY WHEN WE ARE SILENCED."

-MALALA YOUSAFZAI

"EDUCATION IS THE MOST POWERFUL WEAPON WHICH YOU CAN USE TO CHANGE THE WORLD."

-NELSON MANDELA

"IF YOU WANT TO IMPROVE THE ORGANIZATION, YOU HAVE TO IMPROVE YOURSELF AND THE ORGANIZATION GETS PULLED UP WITH YOU."

-INDRA NOOYI

"FREEDOM IS NOT JUST THE ABSENCE OF OPPRESSION, BUT THE CHANCE TO HAVE A VOICE AND CONTRIBUTE TO A BETTER FUTURE."

-AMARTYASEN

"HOWEVER DIFFICULT LIFE MAY SEEM, THERE IS ALWAYSSOMETHING YOU CAN DO AND SUCCEED AT."

-STEPHEN HAWKING

- "WE ONLY HAVE WHAT WE GIVE."
- -ISABEL ALLENDE
- "DON'T EVER UNDERESTIMATE THE IMPORTANCE YOU CAN HAVE BECAUSE HISTORY HAS SHOWN US THAT COURAGE CAN BE CONTAGIOUS, AND HOPE CAN TAKE ON A LIFE OF ITS OWN."
- -MICHELLE OBAMA
- "A SURPLUS OF EFFORT COULD OVERCOME A DEFICIT OF CONFIDENCE."
- -SONIA SOTOMAYOR
- "THE MOST BEAUTIFUL EXPERIENCE WE CAN HAVE IS THE MYSTERIOUS. IT IS THE FUNDAMENTAL EMOTION THAT STANDS AT THE CRADLE OF TRUE ART AND TRUE SCIENCE."
- -NEIL DEGRASSE TYSON
- "LIFE WILL SOMETIMES BE A SERIES OF OBSTACLES, A MATTER OF HOW YOU NAVIGATE THROUGH THEM."
- -JACQUELINE WOODSON
- "BE PASSIONATEAND BOLD. ALWAYSKEEP LEARNING. YOU STOP DOING USEFUL THINGS IF YOU DON'T LEARN."
- -SATYANADELLA
- "TALENT IS CHEAPER THAN TABLE SALT. WHAT SEPARATES THE TALENTED INDIVIDUAL FROM THE SUCCESSFUL ONE IS A LOT OF HARD WORK."
- -STEPHEN KING
- "BELIEVING YOU CAN BE UNSTOPPABLE IS THE FIRST STEP TO ACTUALLYBEING UNSTOPPABLE."
- -LAVERNE COX









